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E. O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP (MONDALE, WALTER F.), JA
SUBJ: MONDALE'S TRIP TO TOKYO

REF: STATE 7761

1. GOJ CONCURS ON ALL ELEMENTS OF SCHEDULE PROPOSED REFTEL.
2. AFTER INFORMING EMBASSY OF ABOVE, FONOFF FIRST NORTH AMERICA
DIVDIR WATANABE MADE FOLLOWING STATEMENT, "IN VIEW OF STRONG PRE-
SSURE BY PRESS FOR INFORMATION ON TIMING OF VISIT AND TO AVOID
WILD SPECULATION, JAPANESE SIDE PLANS TO BRIEF PRESS IN BROAD OUT-
LINE OF VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT MONDALE'S VISIT. UNLESS US SIDE HAS
OBJECTION, BRIEFING WILL OCCUR 1030 MONDAY, JANUARY 17, JAPAN TIME
(2030 JANUARY 16, EST) ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:
A. VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT MONDALE WILL BE VISITING JAPAN ACCOR-
DING TO FOLLOWING BROAD SCHEDULE. HE WILL BE ARRIVING EVENING OF
JANUARY 30, HAVE A MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER AT OFFICIAL RESI-
DENCE AFTERNOON OF JANUARY 31, AND ATTEND WORKING DINNER HOSTED
BY PRIME MINISTER THAT EVENING. HE WILL DEPART FROM JAPAN AFTER-
NOON OF FEBRUARY 1.
B. IT IS EXPECTED THAT PRIME MINISTER AND VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT
WILL DISCUSS INTERNATIONAL ECONOMY INCLUDING UPCOMING ECONOMIC
SUMMIT MEETING, ASIAN AFFAIRS AND OTHER SUBJECTS OF COMMON CON-
CERN.
C. (TO BE PROVIDED AS SUPPLEMENTAL EXPLANATION) PRESIDENT-ELECT
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CARTER DECIDED TO SEND VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT MONDALE TO VISIT JAPAN
AS PART OF EFFORT TO STRENGTHEN RELATIONS WITH MAJOR FRIENDS OF US.
IT UNDERSTOOD THAT VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT WILL LEAVE WASHINGTON
AFTER INAUGURATION AND VISIT WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES (INCLUDING
HEADQUARTERS OF NATO AND ECONOMIC COMMUNITY) AND JAPAN."

3. IF US HAS OBJECTION TO EITHER SUBSTANCE OR TIMING OF BRIEFING

OR ON OTHER HAND PLANS TO ANNOUNCE VISIT PRIOR TO PLANNED TIME,
WOULD APPRECIATE FASTEST POSSIBLE NOTIFICATION.

4. WATANABE ENDED MEETING EXPRESSING HOPE THAT US UNDERSTOOD PRESSURES IN JAPAN WHICH MADE PRESS BRIEFING SO IMPORTANT.

5. PROPOSED DETAILED SCHEDULE WILL FOLLOW SEPTTEL.

6. PRINCIPAL EMBASSY OFFICERS CONNECTED WITH VISIT WILL BE:

DCM THOMAS P. SHOESMITH - CONTROL,
NICHOLAS PLATT - EMBASSY COORDINATOR,
LEONA ANDERSON - ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR,
PETER ROCHE - SECURITY COORDINATOR,
ROBERT KAYS - PUBLIC AFFAIRS COORDINATOR.
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